NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

TO INCREASE COMMUNITY CAPACITY OF PROVIDER MANAGED HOUSING FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH ACUTE BEHAVIORAL AND/OR MEDICAL NEEDS

TAKE NOTICE that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4, 34.5 and 34.6, the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) hereby announces the availability of the grant program funds described herein.

Program Name: To Increase Community Capacity of Provider Managed Housing for Individual with Acute Behavioral and/or Medical Needs

Purpose: This Request for Proposals (RFP) is issued by the New Jersey Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) for the provision of capital funds to offset costs incurred in the acquisition, development and renovation of group homes that serve newly placed individuals with acute behavioral and/or medical needs.

Available Funding Amount: DDD is soliciting proposals from housing developers or service providers who are able to leverage capital funding from a variety of sources to quickly build new group homes for the target population. These new settings will enable individuals with high-level behavioral needs to choose from a larger array of providers and geographic locations across the state. Funding is available to offset costs incurred directly by providers in developing group homes licensed under N.J.A.C. 10:44A, as well as for accelerated principal payment related to the financing of such costs

The Division will provide up to \$5 million of state MFP rebalancing funds for this initiative, over multiple allocation cycles, until all available funds have been paid out. DDD will allocate to the service provider funding in an amount up to \$90,000 per home, subject to the several conditions. The primary condition is that homes are limited to four bedrooms, at least two of which will be contractually reserved for individuals with medical levels of 5 or 6, or behavioral levels 3 or 4, and/or individuals determined by DDD to have an acute need or a placement disposition challenge. Funding will not be released to a community-based provider unless the individual seeking a community-based setting and Provider have agreed to placement.

Who Can Apply/Bidder Qualifications:

To be eligible for consideration, bidders must meet the following requirements:

- The bidder must be a non-profit or for-profit entity or governmental entity;
- The bidder must be licensed by the Department of Human Services (DHS), Office of Licensing (OOL) prior to the start of these services;

- The bidder must be in good standing with OOL, including having not had a moratorium on admissions or more than 10% provisional licenses within three years of the issue date of this RFP.
- For a bidder that has a contract with DDD in place when this RFP is issued, that bidder must have all outstanding Plans of Correction (PoC) for deficiencies submitted to DDD and/or OOL (as appropriate) for approval prior to submission:
- The bidder must be fiscally viable based upon an assessment of the bidder's audited financial statements. If a bidder is determined, in DDD's sole discretion, to be insolvent or to present insolvency within the twelve (12) months after bid submission, DDD will deem the proposal ineligible for contract award;
- The bidder must not appear on the State of New Jersey Consolidated Debarment Report at https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/debarred/debarsearch.htm or be suspended or debarred by any other State or Federal entity from receiving funds.
- The bidder shall not employ a member of the Board of Directors in a consultant capacity; and
- Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44, a for-profit bidder and each proposed subcontractor must have a valid Business Registration Certificate on file with the Division of Revenue, i.e., this statutory requirement does not apply to nonprofit organizations, private colleges and universities, or state and municipal agencies.

Proposal Procedure: Effective October 15, 2019, the RFP is available at www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfprfi/index.html. A proposal must be submitted that comports with the RFP requirements and instructions.

Proposal Receiving Office:

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Submission Deadline: Proposals will be accepted on a rolling basis as indicated in the RFP.

Notifigation Date: Proposals will be awarded on a rolling basis as indicated in the RFP.

Carole Johnson, Commissioner

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